

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A motor-driven hand-held tool (2), comprising a housing (4) having a switching recess (6) formed therein; and actuation member (8) displaceably arranged in the switching recess (6) for shifting a functional unit between different functional steps; and functional step display means having a read-out device (16) mechanically connected with the actuation member (8), and display means (14) provided in the housing (4) for displaying an actual functional step and spaced from the switching recess (6).
2. A motor driven hand-held tool according to claim 1, wherein the display means (14) is formed by a recess provided in the housing (4), and wherein both the switching recess (6) and the display means recess (14) are formed in an upper, with respect to the handle, surface of the housing (4).
3. A motor-driven hand-held tool according to claim 1, further comprising a slide member (10) which forms a mechanical connection between the read-out device (16) and the actuation member (8), the slide member (10)

being formed, together with the actuation (8) member as a one-piece element.

4. A motor-driven hand-held tool according to claim 3, wherein the read-out device (16) comprises a plurality of arranged in a row, one after another, marks (18), for identifying a respective functional step and carried, in a region of the display means (14), on the slide member (10), and wherein in each position of the slide member (10), at most, only one identifying mark (18) is completely displayed by the display means (14).
5. A motor-driven hand-held tool according to claim 4, wherein the slide member (10) has at least one locking member (22) engageable in respective matching locking means (26) provided on the housing (4) at least in two positions of the slide member (10) relative to the housing (4).
6. A motor driven hand-held tool according to claim 3, wherein the actuation member (8) is provided on the slide member (10).